

Oct. 4, 1947.

Dear Ed:

A thousand apologies for my messy correspondence. My only only extenuating circumstance is that I have no office until latter is painted, and my papers have to be strewn about. For example, I forgot to enclose some stamps which should go to Betty Z. in my letter yesterday.

Quartz flasks are obtainable from Thermal Syndicate most cheaply and promptly. Their offices are in N.Y.

The original of the letter I intended to send is enclosed. Since then I learn that GBI is selling ornithine at a reasonable price, so that no longer applies.

K.P.Link has become interested in the problem of the splitting of the specificities of coli carbohydrases by mutation and recombination, and we hope to have a graduate student work on the synthesis of artificial disaccharides for this purpose. I am going to try to give the 1:1 theory a critical test in this group of gene controlled enzymes, particularly the b-galactosidases exemplified by lactase.

As mentioned before, my reprint supply is getting very low. Would it be convenient for you (or B.Z.) to respond to any further reprint requests from OBL directly rather than send me the cards? Perhaps the enclosed stickers could be used to suggest my new address.

Best regards, and apologies again,

Sincerely,